IN THE MATTER OF \* BEFORE THE

STROHECKER'S PHARMACY, INC. \* MARYLAND STATE

PERMIT NO. P05423 \* BOARD OF PHARMACY

\* Case No. PI-16-087

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## **CONSENT ORDER**

# Background

Strohecker's Pharmacy, Inc. (the "Respondent") advised the Maryland Board of Pharmacy (the "Board") that the Respondent had been disciplined by the Oregon Board of Pharmacy as a result of violations of Oregon state law regarding the operation of a pharmacy, and specifically, the compounding of human drugs.

In lieu of instituting formal proceedings against Strohecker's Pharmacy, Inc., in accordance with the Maryland Pharmacy Act, Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 12-101 *et seq.*, the Board and Strohecker's Pharmacy, Inc., have agreed to resolve this matter as set forth in this Consent Order.

## **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- On or about December 8, 2010, the Respondent was issued a non-resident pharmacy permit to operate in Maryland under Permit Number P05423. The Respondent's permit is active and will expire on May 31, 2018.
- 2. The Respondent dispenses, among other things, patient-specific sterile testosterone cypionate.
- 3. On or about November 12, 2015, the Respondent entered into a Consent Order with the Oregon Board of Pharmacy. The Oregon order was based on various violations of the Oregon Revised Statutes related to the compounding of

- testosterone cypionate, Lot #T-1201S14.
- 4. Specifically, the Oregon Board found that Respondent inadvertently mixed estradiol valerate into the above compound. This resulted in misbranded testosterone cypionate, Lot #T-1201S14, being dispensed to 351 patients in 35 states.
- 5. One Maryland physician administered the misbranded product to a patient.
- 6. The Oregon Board of Pharmacy imposed against the Respondent a civil penalty of \$10,000, stayed pending no further similar violations for three years and compliance with the terms of the order. The Respondent disputed the allegations.
- 7. On November 20, 2015, the Respondent duly notified the Board regarding the Oregon Board of Pharmacy action.
- 8. On February 24, 2016, the Wisconsin Pharmacy Examining Board issued a Final Decision and Order against the Respondent based on the violations found by the Oregon Board of Pharmacy.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact, the Board concludes that Strohecker's Pharmacy, Inc., Permit Number P05423, is subject to discipline in accordance with Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 12-403(g).

#### <u>ORDER</u>

ORDERED that Strohecker's Pharmacy, Inc., Permit No. P05423, shall be assessed a civil monetary penalty in the amount of \$10,000, all of which is STAYED

pending no further similar violations for three (3) years beginning November 12, 2015,

and compliance with the terms of this Order; and be it further,

ORDERED that Strohecker's Pharmacy, Inc., shall comply with all laws and

regulations governing the operation of a non-resident pharmacy in the State of Maryland,

to include Maryland laws governing the compounding of prescription drugs; and be it

further,

ORDERED that Strohecker's Pharmacy, Inc., shall fully comply with all terms

and conditions imposed by the Oregon Board of Pharmacy in its Consent Order, effective

November 12, 2015; and be it further,

ORDERED that in the event that Strohecker's Pharmacy, Inc., violates any of the

terms above, the Board, after notice and an opportunity for a hearing, and a determination

of a violation, may lift the stay of the civil monetary penalty assessed above and impose

any further disciplinary sanction it deems appropriate, including suspension and

revocation, said violation being proven by a preponderance of the evidence; and be it

further,

ORDERED that this is a formal order and as such is a public document pursuant

to Md. Code Ann., General Provisions Article § 4-333.

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Deena Speights-Napata,

**Executive Director for:** 

Mitra Gavgani, Pharm.D.

**Board President** 

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# CONSENT

1. By signing this Consent, Strohecker's Pharmacy, Inc., submits to the foregoing Consent Order as a resolution of this matter and agrees to be bound by its terms and conditions.

2. Strohecker's Pharmacy, Inc., acknowledges the validity of this Consent Order as if it were made after a hearing in which it would have had the right to counsel, to confront witnesses, and to all other substantial procedural protections provided by law.

3. Strohecker's Pharmacy, Inc., acknowledges that, by entering into this Consent Order, it is waiving its right to appeal any adverse ruling of the Board that might have followed such an evidentiary hearing.

Strohecker's Pharmacy, Inc., acknowledges the legal authority and the jurisdiction of the Board to enter and enforce this Consent Order.

5. Strohecker's Pharmacy, Inc., signs this Consent Order freely and voluntarily, after having had the opportunity to consult with counsel. Strohecker's Pharmacy, Inc., fully understands the language, meaning, and effect of this Consent Order.

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# STATE OF Oregon COUNTY/CITY OF Multusman

I hereby certify that on this Notary Public of the State of Oregon and County/City aforesaid, personally appeared Ronald Dulwide, and made an oath in due form that the foregoing Consent was his/her voluntary act and deed on behalf of Strohecker's Pharmacy, Inc.

OFFICIAL STAMP KAREN AMIN NOTARY PUBLIC-OREGON COMMISSION NO. 941984 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES AUGUST 20, 2019

Notary Public
My commission expires: August / 20 th / 2019